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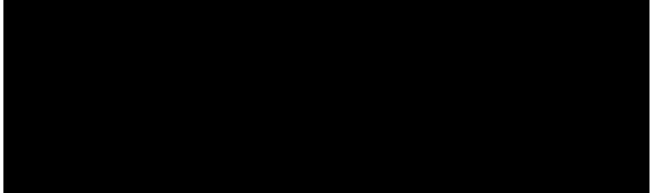
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- The following point numbers correspond to locations on the attached memory sketch Annex A of the village of Poraj. Poraj had about 3,000 inhabitants.
 - Point # 1. Factory Sfinks (Fabryka Garnkow Sfinks): Sfinks was the name of a previous owner. This was an old factory which I remember as far back as 1937. It was one long building about 200 m. in length and about 100 m. wide, one-story high, built of stone and with a wooden roof. The area was partly surrounded by a brick wall and partly by a wire fence. Various enamelware, such as pots, pans, pails, etc. were produced there. I do not know how many people worked in this factory.
 - # 2. <u>Giuzynski's Baby Carriage Factory</u> (Fabryka Wozkow Dziecinnych "Giuzynski"): this factory was built in about 1938; I last saw it in the spring of 1952. It was a brick building about 100 m. long and about 30 to 40 m. wide. It was one or two stories high. The building was surrounded by a wooden fence. I do not know the number of people working there.
 - # 3. Blasting Furnaces for Iron Ore (Prazaki): the iron ore was brought from the iron mine /Foint No. 57 to the furnaces by a single-track narrow-gauge railroad. There were about six outdoor furnaces. Each was about 5 m. wide at the base and about 10 to 12 m. in height.

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Complete smelting was not done there. I believe that the gangue was removed from the ore by baking, because chunks of gray-colored ore were removed from the furnaces. Originally the ore was a reddish color from the earth. I do not know if the ore from the iron mine located in the village of Ostrow just southwest of Poraj was brought to these furnaces.

4. Factory for the Production of Glazed Insulating Pressboard (Fabryka Preszpanu "Klepaczka"): this pressboard was used as insulating material in electric motors and was produced from used paper. In 1948 I heard that this was one of two such factories in Poland. 25X1A The other factory was supposed to be in Poznan or somewhere in the west of Poland. I do not know how old this factory is, but

same man owned the Natalin factory and this factory. This factory, an irregularly-shaped building, was about 150 m. long on the longest side and about 150 m. wide on the widest side. It was a brick building. About 200 people worked here in three shifts, and about 80% of them were women.

- # 5. Iron Mine (Kopalnia Rudy Zelaznej "Borek"): I saw this mine only from a train window, but it was known as a very rich source of iron ore.
- # 6. Transfer Point for Iron Ore: the ore brought from the furnaces /Point No. 3/ was transferred to railroad cars at this transfer point. I do not know where the ore was shipped.
- #7. Transfer Point for Iron Ore: the ore was brought here from the iron mines in the village of Ostrow. I do not know where it was shipped to or if it was shipped to the furnaces /Point No. 37.
- # 8. Railroad Station and Warehouse: for the storage and transfer of goods. This was the main railroad station for the surrounding villages.
- # 9. Abandoned Sawmill: I remember this installation as abandoned in 1950. It was of stone, one-story high, about 60 m. long and 30 m. wide.
- # 10. Railroad Warehouse: for perishable commodities.
- # 11. Offices for the Village Presidium of the People's Council and for the Citizens' Police (Milicja Obywatelska).
- # 12. Office: for the Village Committee of the United Polish Workers'
 Party (Polska Zjednoczona Partja Robotnicza -- PZPR) and location
 of the Cultural House (Dom Kultury), a library, recreation hall,
 etc. for the village youth.
- # 13. Fire Department.
- # 14. Postoffice Building.
- 2. The following are approximate distances from the railroad passenger station to the following numbered points on the memory sketch / Annex A/:

To No. 1 - 0.2 km.

2 - 1.0 km.

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3 - 2.0 km.

 $4 - 6.0 \, \text{km}$.

5 - 7 to 8 km.

6 - 0.5 km.

7 - 0.5 km.

9 - 0.4 km.

Annexes:

- A. Memory Sketch of Poraj
- B. Memory Sketch of Poraj and Vicinity

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Zawiercie Ostrow

Annex B: (CONT'D)

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Factory for the production of pressboard Annex A, Point No. 47, also Cardboard Box Factory Natalin in Masionskie.

The churches located on the hill can be seen from a long distance.

Elevator towers to lower men into the iron mines.

Clay and earth mounds about 25 m. high resulting from iron ore mining operations.

Steel supports for high voltage cables. This line begins somewhere in Silesia, and in 1948 extended as far as Lodz /5146N-1926E7. Under the Six-Year Plan it is to be extended to Warsaw.

Double-Track Railroad.

Single-Track Railroad.

1 Forests.

The following are approximate distances between villages shown on the Memory Sketch of Poraj and Vicinity \sqrt{A} nnex. \overline{B} :

Poraj to Osiny 1.5 km. 1.5 to 2 km. Poraj to Choron Poraj to Jastrzebie Poraj to Kuznica Poraj to Gezyn 1 to 1.5 km. 3 km. 5 km. Poraj to Maslonskie 5 km. Maslonskie to Ostrow 1 km. Maslonskie to Przybynow 6 km.
Maslonskie to Podkuznica 0.5 km.
Maslonskie to Kuznica 1.5 km. 1 km. Kuznica to Gezyn 2 km. Przybynow to Choron